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BOOKS FOR FAMILIES WITH A NEW BABY ON THE WAY, WITH ANNOTATIONS

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PICTURE BOOKS:

E ALE Alexander, M. **Nobody Asked Me If I Wanted a Baby Sister** (1971)

In this classic little picturebook, Oliver tries to give away his baby sister, but decides to keep her when she indicates that she wants him.

E ALE Alexander, M. **When the New Baby Comes, I'm Moving Out** (1979)

A companion to *Nobody Asked Me if I Wanted a Baby Sister*, Oliver expresses his resentment of the impending new baby by first threatening to throw his mom into the trash, then deciding to run away himself. Ultimately, his mother convinces him that the family needs him.

E ALI Aliko **Welcome, little baby** (1987)

A mother welcomes her newborn infant, and tells what life will be like as the child grows older.

E AND Andres **Humphrey & Ralph** (1994)

When his baby brother seems to be getting all the attention, Ralph tries to find ways to get noticed himself.

E ANH Anholt, Catherine **Sophie and the New Baby** (2000, 1995)

After the arrival of the long awaited for "Winter Baby," Sophie is dismayed to find how much attention he needs from her parents. But by Spring, she teaches her brother to smile and is able to play with him.

E APP Appelt **Brand-new baby blues** (2010)

The arrival of a new little brother has his big sister singing the blues.

E APP Appelt **Someone's come to our house** (1999)

The members of a family celebrate the arrival of a new baby.

E ASH Ashman **When I was king** (2008)

A young boy describes how he is no longer "king" now that there is a new baby in the house, but then his family helps him enjoy the change.

E BAL Ballard, Robin **I Used to Be the Baby** (2002)

A young boy helps his mother care for his baby brother. He enjoys his "big-brother" role, but admits he sometimes likes to be the baby, too.

E BAL Ballard, Robin **When I Am a Sister** (1998)

A father reassures his young daughter that they will still have special times together even after he and her stepmother have a new baby.

ER BAR Barrett **Kiki's new sister** (1992)

When Kiki suggests sending her new baby sister back to the hospital, her parents wisely suggest Kiki spend more time helping care for the baby before making a decision.

E BEC Beck **Little house, little town** (2004)

Evokes a gentle rhythm of life slowed down with a new baby.

E BER Berends **I heard said the bird** (1995)

The animals in the barnyard discuss the New One that is coming and eventually discover that there is a new baby in the house.

E BER Berenstain, J. and S. **The Berenstain Bears' New Baby** (1974)

E BOG Bogart, J. **Daniel's Dog** (1990)

A young African-American boy adjusts to the arrival of his new baby sister with the help of his imaginary dog. Features a child's realistic frustrations and positive interactions with a baby.

E BON Bond, R. **Just Like a Baby** (1999)

Family members, from grandparents to sibling, each contribute a step in making a cradle for the new baby. Colorful illustrations and fine lyrical text.

E BOR Borden **Big brothers don't take naps** (2011)

Little brother Nick lists all the wonderful things his big brother does with him, preparing him to greet the new baby in the family.

E BOW Bowen **When you visit Grandma & Grandpa** (2004)

A sister explains to her new baby brother the excitement and activities surrounding a trip to Grandma's and Grandpa's house.

E BRO Brown, M. **Arthur's Baby** (1987)

Arthur's sister, D.W., is more interested in learning about and helping with the new baby than Arthur is, but Arthur manages to lend a helping hand.

E BUN Bunting, Ev. **Our Teacher's Having a Baby** (1992)

As they wait for their first grade teacher's baby to be born, the children in her class write letters to the baby, suggest names for the baby, and learn that teachers can be mothers and mothers can be teachers.

E BUR Burningham, J. **There's going to be a baby** (2010)

A young boy imagines what life will be like when his new sibling arrives.

E CAZ Cazet, D. **Dancing**

Alex's father sings a song to reassure him that he is still loved, even though there is a new baby in the family.

E COO Cooper, H. **Little Monster Did It!** (1996)

A small girl's favorite stuffed toy seems to be responsible for the mischievous "accidents" that begin occurring after a new baby brother arrives home.

E COR Corey, D. **Will There Be a Lap For Me?** (1992)

An African-American boy, Kyle misses his time on Mother's lap while she is pregnant and is happy when the birth of his baby brother makes her lap available again.

E CUT Cutler, J. **Darcy and Gran Don't Like Babies** (1993)

Darcy's grandma helps her accept that it's ok not to really like the new baby - and to realize that deep down she probably does.

E DEN Denton, K. **Would They Love a Lion?** (1995)

Feeling neglected because of the family's new baby, Anna transforms herself into different animals hoping to be noticed.

E DEP dePaola, Tomie **The Baby Sister** (1996)

The author describes waiting for his new sister and mother to return home from the hospital to meet him and his extended family.

E FOR Foreman, M. **Ben's Baby** (1987)

Ben asks his parents for a baby for his next birthday and by the time it comes around he has a baby brother.

E GLI Gliori, Debi **New Big Sister** (1999)

A young girl describes her mother's pregnancy from bouts of morning sickness to spaghetti sandwich snacks to the birth of her twin siblings!

E HAN Hanson, M. **The Difference Between Babies and Cookies** (2002)

A little girl finds that babies aren't quite as her mother described, but irresistible all the same.

E HAR Harris, R. **Hi New Baby!** (2000)

Tenderly depicts a young girl's annoyance with her new baby brother, until she realizes that older siblings are still special and loved. Features beautiful, realistic illustrations of a newborn's expressions.

E HEN Henkes, Kevin **Julius, the Baby of the World** (1990)

This classic picturebook takes a lighthearted look at sibling jealousy.

After he is born, Lilly is not very nice to baby Julius, or "the Germ" as she calls him. But in the end, Queen Lilly teaches her cousin to show the proper respect for the baby of the world.

E HIA Hiatt, F. **Baby Talk** (1999)

Joey relates to his baby brother more when he tries speaking his language.

E HOB Hoban, R. **A Baby Sister for Frances** (1964)

Things change around the house after her baby sister is born, so Frances decides to run away--but not too far. Her parents reassure her that she is missed and needed to make their family complete.

E HOR Horowitz, R. **Mommy's Lap** (1993)

Sophie misses sitting on her mother's lap which gets smaller as the new baby grows. But when Sophie's mom comes home from the hospital with her brother Sam, there is room on her lap for both Sophie and Sam. Sophie finds she likes holding Sam on her lap, too.

E KEA Keats, Ezra Jack **Peter's Chair** (1967)

When Peter, a young African-American boy, discovers his blue furniture is being painted pink for a new baby sister, he rescues the last unpainted item, a chair, and runs away.

E KEL Keller, Holly **Geraldine's Baby Brother** (1994)

Resentful of the attention her crying baby brother receives, Geraldine ignores him, until one night she decides to read him some stories.

E KLE Kleven, E. **A Monster in the House** (1998)

A boy imagines a huge fierce beast as he listens to his new neighbor describe the monster that lives at her house, who screams, spits up on everything, and sucks his toes. But he discovers that "monster" is just the endearing nick-name she uses for her baby brother.

E LAI Laing, Kate **Best Kind of Baby** (2003)

When Sophie's parents tell her that they are going to have a baby, she pretends that it will be a baby animal, but decides that a baby brother is best after all.

E LAK Lakin, P. **Don't Touch My Room** (1985)

Reluctant to have his room changed in preparation for a new baby, a little boy eventually becomes more protective of his baby brother than of his own toys and play area.

E LAN Landolph **What a good big brother!** (2009)

Cameron always helps with his baby sister and one day when no one else can stop Sadie's tears, her big brother succeeds and gets a wonderful reward.

E LAY Layne **Love the baby** (2007)

An older brother at first resents his new sibling, but eventually he starts to love the baby.

ENF 305.232 LAS Lasky, Kathryn **Love that baby!** (2004)

Describes how babies look, eat, talk, play, sleep, and more.

E LEU Leuck **My baby brother has ten tiny toes** (1997)

Introduces the numbers one to ten through the nose, eyes, shoes, and other possessions and body parts of a girl's baby brother.

E LEV Levinson **Me baby** (1991)

Danny seeks attention when his aunts and uncles come over to see his new baby sister.

E LLO Lloyd-Jones **How to be a baby by me, the big sister** (2007)

An all-knowing big sister gives her baby sibling lessons in being a baby.

E LOB Lobel **Too small for honey cake** (2006)

Little Fox learns that his daddy still loves him even though there is a new baby in the house.

E LON London **Froggy's baby sister** (2004)

Froggy hoped for a brother to play with so he is disappointed with his new baby sister, Pollywogilina, but only until she is old enough to start learning from her big brother.

E LOO Look **Henry's first-moon birthday** (2001)

A young girl helps her grandmother with preparations for the traditional Chinese celebration to welcome her new baby brother.

E LUN Lund **Tell me my story, Mama** (2004)

As they look forward to the arrival of a new baby, a mother tells her young daughter of the time when they waited for her to be born.

E MAR Markes, J. **I Can't Talk Yet, But When I Do** (2003)

Sweetly depicts the activities an older sibling can do with an infant.

E MEN Mendes **Look at me, Grandma!** (2001)

Jamie prepares for his role as big brother to the new baby who is about to arrive from the hospital.

E MEN Mennen, I. **One Round Moon and a Star for Me** (1994)

The father of a young boy from rural South Africa assures him that he is indeed his son, and as special as the new baby.

E MEY Meyers, Susan **Everywhere Babies** (2001)

Endearing illustrations and brief text depict a diversity of babies, the various ways they are cared for, and all they can do in their first year of life.

E PAL Palatini, Margie. **Good as Goldie** (2000)

Goldie the big sister lists all the things that she can do that Nicholas her baby brother cannot.

ENF 306.875 RAU Rau **New brothers and sisters** (2008)

E PEN Penn **A pocket full of kisses** (2004)

Chester Raccoon is worried that his mother does not have enough love for both him and his new baby brother.

ER ROB Robins, Joan **My Brother, Will** (1986)

Chronicles the first year of baby Will living with his older brother Kit, depicting Will's development and eventual mastering of walking. Simple text and colorful illustrations convey how older siblings contribute to the care and development of a new baby.

E ROC Rockwell, Lizzy **Hello Baby!** (1999)

A young boy describes how a new baby is growing inside his mommy and tells what it is like when his new sister comes home from the hospital.

E SCH Schwartz, Amy **A Teeny Tiny Baby** (1994)

Charming picturebook depicts new parents' life with a newborn, told from the baby's perspective as he describes his activities throughout the day.

E SHU Shute, Linda **How I Named the Baby** (1993)

As he happily anticipates the new baby, James and his family try to come up with the best name possible. Includes lists of girls' and boys' names and their meanings.

E STE Steptoe, J. **Baby Says** (1988)

Portrays a moment between a young African-American boy and his little brother, where the baby engages him in a simple game. Very simple text and realistic illustrations.

E STI Stimson, Joan **Big Panda, Little Panda** (1994)

After the arrival of his baby sister, Little Panda's mother begins to call him Big Panda, but it takes him a while to adjust to his new role.

E VUL Vulliamy, C. **Ellen and Penguin and the New Baby** (1996)

Ellen and her stuffed toy, Penguin, have difficulty adjusting to a new baby brother until the baby is quieted by them. Simple text and bright illustrations.

E WAD Waddell, M. **When the Teddy Bears Came** (1995)

So many teddy bears arrive at his home as gifts for the new baby, little Tom worries that there won't be any more room for him. But his mother assures him there is and together they can all look after the baby.

E WAL Walter, M. **My Mama Needs Me** (1983)

A touching portrayal of Jason, a young African-American boy, determined to help his mother during her first day home with the new baby despite entreaties from friends and neighbors to play.

E WEL Wells, R. **McDuff and the Baby** (1997)

McDuff, a small terrier, enjoys his life reading the paper with Fred and taking walks in the woods with Lucy, but all that changes when they bring a new baby home. This story endearingly portrays the adjustment that animals and pet-owners must make when a new baby arrives.

E WHY Whybrow, I. **A Baby for Grace** (1998)

Little Grace feels left out when the new baby comes home, but receives some welcome attention when she brings some garden flowers in for the baby, and later, when her dad takes her to the park.

E WIS Wishinsky, F. **Oonga Boonga** (1990)

Baby Louise can't stop crying, no matter what her mother, father, grandparents, and neighbors try to make her stop. Only when her big brother Daniel comes home and says the magic words, Oonga Boonga, does Louise finally stop. Cheerful, colorful illustrations help depict this story of close sibling ties.

NONFICTION

ENF 306.875 BAR Barber **A new baby arrives** (2009)

Mom is having a baby -- Getting ready -- Meeting the baby -- Welcoming the baby -- Sharing -- Helping with the baby -- Bath time -- Naming the baby -- First birthday -- Baby words.

ENF 305.232 DOU Douglas, A. **Baby Science : How Babies Really Work!** (1998)

Big, bright photographs and text directed to young readers explain why babies look and act the way they do. Suggests activities for children to try to help them better understand baby behavior and needs.

ENF 612.6 DOU Douglas **Before you were born : the inside story!** (2000)

ENF 612.6 HEI Heiligman, D. **Babies: All You Need to Know** (2002)

Published by National Geographic, this colorful picturebook describes some of the scientific facts about a baby's growth and development.

ENF 306.875 RAU Raum, Elizabeth **New brothers and sisters** (2008)

A new baby -- Why do I have to wait so long? -- What will the baby be like? -- What if I feel left out? -- Sharing your mom and dad -- Sharing your things -- A special job -- Talk to an adult.

ENF 306.875 ROG Rogers, Fred **The New Baby** (1985)

Explains the needs of toddlers faced with a new baby in the family and some of the changes and disruptions the baby can cause in the life of the older brother or sister.(1985)

DVDS

DVD-E 305.875 HEY **Hey, What About Me?** (2005)

Geared toward young children, this 30-minute video shows real kids talking about their fears, concerns, excitement and pleasure with having a new baby in the family. Depicts what it's like to live with a baby and demonstrates songs to sing and other fun activities to do with a baby.